

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
LOK SABHA**

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CONSTRUCTION OF NATIONAL HIGHWAY
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Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government have received any proposal from Maharashtra for the construction of National Highway from Nagpur to Solapur via Kolhapur-Miran;
- (b) if so, whether the Government have examined the proposal; and
- (c) if so, the present status thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (MAJOR GENERAL (RETD.) E. KHANDURI)

(a) to (c) All the proposals for conversion of State Highways into National Highways have been returned to the respective State Governments. Presently there is a ban on declaration of new National Highways due to fund constraints. The Government may, however, consider conversion of very limited lengths of a few State Highways into National Highways during the course of the 10th Five Year Plan, keeping in view the traffic needs, inter-se priority and availability of funds, after the ban is lifted.